

I am deeply concerned about the planned upcoming broadcasts being promulgated by Sinclair Broadcasting and which are being forced upon their local stations. These broadcast, which show John Kerry in a negative and too likely, distorted light, are clearly meant to sway American voters to to support George Bush, but without affording opportunity for rebuttal. This makes clear the danger in allowing our, and I stress, *our*, airwaves to be dominated by a very few voices that can then effectively limit, and manipulate information to their own benefit, rather than to benefit a free people who are entitled to an array of voices and opinions. This is a dangerous precedent and one that needs to be addressed without delay.

Media ownership rules must be strengthened to protect the interest of the American public.
Thank you.